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| For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS, |) | |
| CONTROL METHOD THEREOF | : | |
| AND CONTROL PROGRAM |) | |
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

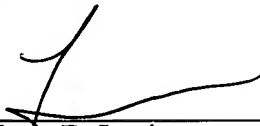
In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents identified on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are enclosed together with a copy of International Search Report citing them.

The concise explanation of the relevance of the non-English document is provided in the English abstract attached to that document.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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